

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

1. (Currently amended) A system to handle exchange of a foreign currency, comprising:

a memory having program code stored therein; and

a processor operatively connected to said memory for carrying out

instructions in accordance with said stored program code,

wherein said program code, when executed by said processor, causes said processor to perform:

establishing the foreign currency as one or more exchange shares of [[a]] stock on a stock exchange, wherein each of the one or more exchange shares of the stock comprises ~~a number of~~ one or more units of the foreign currency offered for trade in terms of a native currency of the stock exchange;

presenting on the stock exchange, using quotation of the stock exchange, the stock; and

establishing a predetermined number of market makers having responsibility for the stock, wherein one or more requests are passed to one or more of the market makers.

Claim 2 (Canceled)

3. (Currently amended) A system to handle exchange of a foreign currency, comprising:

a memory having program code stored therein; and

a processor operatively connected to said memory for carrying out instructions in accordance with said stored program code,

wherein said program code, when executed by said processor, causes said processor to perform:

establishing the foreign currency as one or more exchange shares of ~~[[a]]~~ stock on a stock exchange, wherein each of the one or more exchange shares of the stock comprises ~~a number of~~ one or more units of the foreign currency offered for trade in terms of a currency different than the foreign currency;

presenting on the stock exchange, using quotation of the stock exchange, the stock; and

hosting a predetermined number of market makers having responsibility for the stock, wherein one or more requests are passed to one or more of the market makers.

Claim 4 (Canceled)

5. (Currently amended) The system of claim 1, wherein said responsibility includes posting a bid and offer for one or more of the exchange shares of said stock.

6. (Currently amended) The system of claim 1, wherein said responsibility includes offering to purchase or sell one or more exchange shares of said stock for posted amounts.

7. (Currently amended) The system of claim 3, wherein said responsibility includes posting a bid and offer for one or more of the exchange shares of said stock.

8. (Currently amended) The system of claim 3, wherein said responsibility includes offering to purchase or sell one or more exchange shares of said stock for posted amounts.

9. (Withdrawn) A method for performing currency exchange, comprising:

placing a request with a broker;

having the broker pass the request to a market maker; and

having the market maker execute the request.

10. (Withdrawn) A method for performing currency exchange comprising:

determining the amount of native currency that can be received in return for a specified number of shares of a first exchange share;

determining the number of shares of a second exchange share that can be purchased for the determined amount of native currency; and

simultaneously submitting a request to sell the specified number of shares of said first exchange share, and a request to purchase the determined number of shares of said second exchange share.

11. (Withdrawn) A system for performing currency exchange, comprising:

a memory having program code stored therein; and  
a processor operatively connected to said memory for carrying out instructions in accordance with said stored program code;  
wherein said program code, when executed by said processor, causes said processor to perform the steps of:

determining the amount of native currency that can be received in return for a specified number of shares of a first exchange share;

determining the number of shares of a second exchange share that can be purchased for the determined amount of native currency; and

simultaneously submitting a request to sell the specified number of shares of said first exchange share, and a request to purchase the determined number of shares of said second exchange share.

12. (Previously presented) The system of claim 1, wherein the stock comprises a number of units of Japanese Yen offered for trade in terms of United States Dollar.

13. (Previously presented) The system of claim 12, wherein the stock is given a name USJP.

14. (Previously presented) The system of claim 1, wherein the stock comprises a number of units of Euro offered for trade in terms of United States Dollar.

15. (Previously presented) The system of claim 14, wherein the stock is given a name USEU.

16. (Previously presented) The system of claim 1, wherein the stock comprises a number of units of Canadian Dollar offered for trade in terms of United States Dollar.

17. (Previously presented) The system of claim 16, wherein the stock is given a name USCA.

18. (Previously presented) The system of claim 3, wherein the stock comprises a number of units of Japanese Yen offered for trade in terms of United States Dollar.

19. (Previously presented) The system of claim 18, wherein the stock is given a name USJP.

20. (Previously presented) The system of claim 3, wherein the stock comprises a number of units of Euro offered for trade in terms of United States Dollar.

21. (Previously presented) The system of claim 20, wherein the stock is given a name USEU.

22. (Previously presented) The system of claim 3, wherein the stock comprises a number of units of Canadian Dollar offered for trade in terms of United States Dollar.

23. (Previously presented) The system of claim 22, wherein the stock is given a name USCA.